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HINDI MEDIUM COURSE IN ITIS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has directed all State Governments to start Hindi speaking courses in Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in non-Hindi speaking States to enhance employability and mobility of trainees across States;

(b) if so, whether the various States including Kerala have sought financial assistance from the Union Government towards remuneration and purchase of essential books in Hindi etc.;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the financial assistance are likely to be released to the States including Kerala for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) The Government has set up a tripartite body at the national level, namely, National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) to advice it on issues relating to Craftsmen Training Scheme, being implemented through ITIs/ ITCs across the States. The above Council during its 36th meeting held on 17th December 2007 recommended that Hindi language should also be encouraged in non-Hindi speaking States alongwith English so as to enhance employability and mobility of trainees across the States. This recommendation was accepted by the Government for implementation. Accordingly, all the State Governments were requested to conduct language courses in ITIs for the benefit of the trainees.

(b) & (c) No financial assistance have been sought by any of the States including Kerala from Union Government towards remuneration and purchase of essential books in Hindi.

(d) The question does not arise.